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Recognition of Courses under Prior Learning
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) total number of professional training centres and professional trainees approved by DGET in the country, State-wise, including Rajasthan and whether more such centres are proposed to be set up in the country, particularly in backward and tribal dominated areas and if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether the Government is planning to recognize through "Recognition of Prior Learning" (RPL) even people working in unorganized sector and if so, the details thereof and the objective behind the move;
(c) the number of youths that are to be certified under RPL over the next one year;
(d) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for skilling people in unorganized sector; and
(e) the steps taken to increase the speed/capacity of the web portal linked with implementation of skill development scheme and whether the courses identified under the scheme have been recognized/ accepted by the Industrial Sector and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a): According to the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, professional training in 126 trades are imparted through 12,106 Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) 2285 in Government and 9821 Private sector, having a total seating capacity of 17.11 lakhs (4.99 lakhs in Govt. ITIs and 12.11Lakhs in Private ITIs), including 1668 ITIs in Rajasthan. State wise details of ITIs and their seating capacity is at Annex-I.

Government ITIs are set-up by respective State Governments and Private ITIs are set up by their management, as per requirement of respective States/ local industries. These ITIs are affiliated to National Council for Vocational Training to run training programme under Craftsmen Training Scheme.

For backward and tribal areas, 34 new ITIs and 68 new SDCs (Skill Development Centers) are to be established under the Centrally Sponsored scheme "Skill Development in 34 Districts Affected by Left Wing Extremism". 22 new ITIs are to be established under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme "Enhancing Skill Development Infrastructure in NE States & Sikkim". The details are given at Annex-II.

(b) to (d): Under the RPL Scheme, the competencies of the construction workers registered with the Building and Other Construction Workers (BOCW) Welfare Board are assessed on pre-determined parameters. Based on the outcome of the pre-assessment, the workers are provided skill gap training / are sent for final assessment. Successful workers are awarded certificates issued by NCVT. The objective of the RPL for Construction Workers Scheme is to upgrade the skills of construction workers to improve their productivity.

For Skilling people in the unorganized sector, the Government has taken steps for running courses for workers of unorganized and organized sectors in 2nd shift in ITIs located in the urban/semi-urban center within 5-10 KMs of periphery of Municipal Corporation/Municipal Council.

(e): The Government has taken initiative to enhance the speed of the web portal of SDI scheme by integrating three additional servers of higher capacity with the existing portal. The courses/modules identified under the scheme are developed by Mentor Councils/Trade Committees comprising representatives from Industries (Private and Public), Academicians, State Governments and Trade experts. After development of courses by the Mentor Councils/ trade Committees, the courses/modules are placed before the sub-committee of National Council of Vocational Training (NCVT) comprising members from Central Ministries, States, Industry and Academicians for final approval and implementation. NCVT approved courses are well accepted by Ministries/ Departments and industries. NCVT certificate is nationally and internationally recognized in the world of work.

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